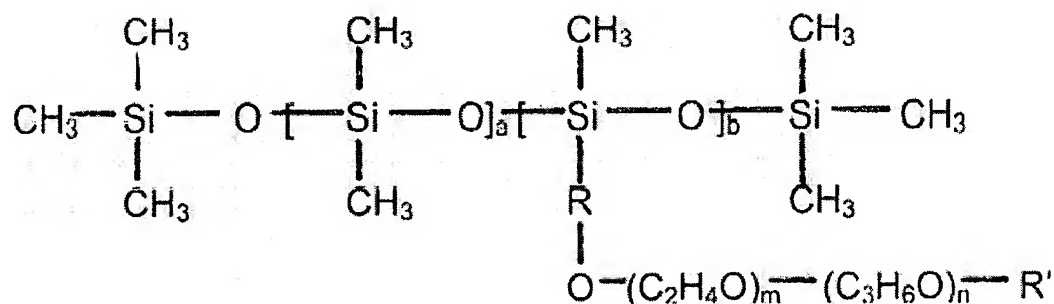


IN THE CLAIMS:

Please find below a complete listing of presently pending claims with status identifiers. This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (Currently Amended) A soft paper-based product comprising a cellulosic fibrous material, wherein an aqueous-based softening composition is incorporated into the paper-based product at an add-on level of between about 0.1% to about 10% by weight of the paper-based product, said softening composition comprising a silicone glycol in an amount between about 0.01% to about 20% by weight of said softening composition, a silicone quaternary ammonium compound in an amount between about 0.01% to about 20% by weight of said softening composition, an emollient in an amount between about 0.01% to about 20% by weight of said softening composition, and water in an amount greater than about ~~[[40%]]~~ 75% by weight of said softening composition.

2. (Original) The product of claim 1, wherein said silicone glycol has the general formula:



wherein $a \geq 1$ and $b \geq 1$;

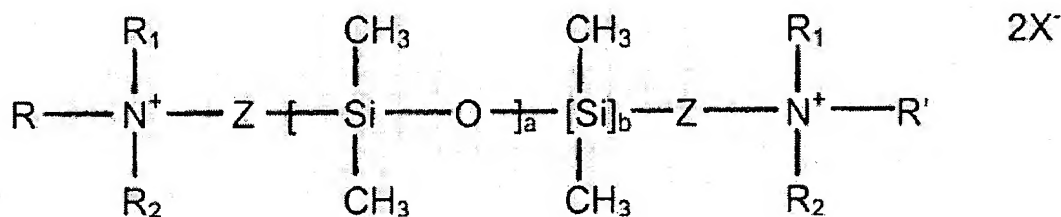
wherein R is selected from $\text{C}_1 - \text{C}_6$ alkyls and $\text{C}_1 - \text{C}_6$ hydroxyalkyls;

wherein R' is selected from hydrogen, $\text{C}_1 - \text{C}_6$ alkyls, $\text{C}_1 - \text{C}_6$ hydroxyalkyls, $\text{C}_1 - \text{C}_6$ acyls, and $\text{C}_1 - \text{C}_6$ acetates;

wherein m is between about 1 to about 500; and

wherein n is between about 1 to about 300.

3. (Original) The product of claim 1, wherein said silicone quaternary ammonium compound has the general formula:



wherein $a \geq 1$ and $b \geq 1$;

wherein R_1 is selected from $\text{C}_1 - \text{C}_6$ alkyls and $\text{C}_1 - \text{C}_6$ hydroxyalkyls;

wherein R_2 is selected from $\text{C}_1 - \text{C}_6$ alkyls and $\text{C}_1 - \text{C}_6$ hydroxyalkyls;

wherein R is selected from $\text{C}_8 - \text{C}_{24}$ aliphatic hydrocarbons;

wherein R' is selected from $\text{C}_8 - \text{C}_{24}$ aliphatic hydrocarbons;

wherein Z is selected from the group consisting of: $-(\text{CH}_2)_j-\text{CHOH}-\text{CH}_2-$
 $\text{O}-(\text{CH}_2)_k-$, wherein $j \geq 1$ and $k \geq 1$; $\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_2-\text{O}-(\text{CH}_2)_3-$; alkyls; and alkyl
esters; and

wherein X is an ion.

4. (Canceled)

5. (Original) The product of claim 1, wherein said emollient comprises between about 0.01% to about 10% by weight of said softening composition.

6. (Original) The product of claim 1, wherein said emollient includes a linear primary alkyl ester of benzoic acid.

7. (Original) The product of claim 6, wherein said linear primary alkyl ester of benzoic acid is $\text{C}_{12}-\text{C}_{15}$ alkyl benzoate.

8. (Original) The product of claim 1, wherein said softening composition further comprises a fatty alcohol in an amount between about 0.01% to about 20% by weight of said softening composition.

9. (Original) The product of claim 8, wherein said fatty alcohol is selected from the group consisting of cetyl alcohol, stearyl alcohol, cetearyl alcohol, arachidyl alcohol, behenyl alcohol, and combinations thereof.

10. (Original) The product of claim 1, wherein said softening composition further comprises an emulsifier in an amount between about 0.01% to about 20% by weight of said softening composition.

11. (Original) The product of claim 10, wherein said emulsifier includes a polyoxyethylene stearyl ether.

12. (Original) The product of claim 1, wherein said softening composition further comprises a skin conditioning agent in an amount between about 0.01% to about 20% by weight of said softening composition.

13. (Original) The product of claim 12, wherein said skin conditioning agent includes a humectant.

14. (Original) The product of claim 13, wherein said humectant includes glycerin.

15. (Original) The product of claim 1, wherein said add-on level of said softening composition is between about 0.5% to about 10% by weight of said paper-based product.

16. (Original) The product of claim 1, wherein said softening composition further comprises an antimicrobial agent, a preservative, or combinations thereof.

17. (Original) The product of claim 1, wherein said paper-based product has a basis weight between about 10 to about 200 grams per square meter.

18. (Original) The product of claim 1, wherein said paper-based product has a basis weight between about 15 to about 100 grams per square meter.

19-48. (Cancelled)